

Is that a train wreck? Is that gridlock? In one sense it is gridlock. We have never had gridlock on the budget. When I started out, Republicans and Democrats agreed. Democrats did not want to control the growth of entitlements and Republicans didn't want to control the growth of defense spending. So they both agreed to pass budgets with large deficits.

These budgets with large deficits have been agreed to by both Republicans and Democrats, but you have this majority Congress agreeing that we are going to get our financial house in order. It is an unprecedented thing to have Congress say it wants to spend less. Usually Congress wants to spend more.

We do not intend to waste this opportunity that we have. We have been in the minority for 40 years. We are in the majority. It is under our watch, and we look forward to getting our financial house in order.

We will have gridlock until the White House recognizes that we are determined not to increase the debt ceiling, we are determined to balance the budget in 7 years, we are determined to have what we consider a very fair tax credit. But that gridlock will end when the President agrees to a 7-year budget using real numbers, not numbers cooked by OMB, and then the debate will be in my judgment how we spend those dollars and how we effect the tax cut.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to address the House.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. VOLKMER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for after 11:30 a.m. today, on account of illness of spouse.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. LUTHER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mrs. SCHROEDER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POMBO) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MCINTOSH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COBURN, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. LUTHER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.

Mr. JACOBS.

Ms. DELAURO in three instances.

Mr. ACKERMAN in three instances.

Mr. FARR.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POMBO) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. WALSH.

Mr. CRANE.

Mr. RIGGS.

Mr. KIM in three instances.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. SHAYS) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. EHRLICH in two instances.

Ms. DELAURO.

Mr. VISCLOSKY.

Mr. DEUTSCH.

Mr. MENENDEZ.

Mr. ORTON.

Mrs. MALONEY.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, September 12, 1995, at 10:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1395. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting notification of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts from sequester for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(c)(4) (104 Stat. 1388-589); to the Committee on Appropriations.

1396. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the Department of Defense will terminate its leasehold interests in the former emergency operating facility at the Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, WV; to the Committee on National Security.

1397. A letter from the Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Department of Defense, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 1996 Department of Defense Master Plan for Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Education," Public Law 101-190, section 829(a); to the Committee on National Security.

1398. A letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's fourth monthly report to Congress, as required by section 404 of the Mexican Debt Disclosure Act of 1995, pursuant to Public Law 104-6, section 404(a) (109 Stat. 90); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1399. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision, transmitting the 1994 annual report on enforcement actions and initiatives, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1833; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1400. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—Administration of Grants to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations; Direct Grant Programs; State-administered Programs; and General Provisions Act—Enforcement, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(d)(1); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

1401. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the quarterly report on the Strategic Petroleum Reserve for the second quarter of 1995, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6245(a); to the Committee on Commerce.

1402. A letter from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting notification that no exceptions to the prohibition against favored treatment of a government securities broker or dealer were granted by the Secretary for the calendar year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3121 note; to the Committee on Commerce.

1403. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a report on the progress on reinventing the FCC; to the Committee on Commerce.

1404. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a report on the status of coal-fuel mixtures; to the Committee on Commerce.

1405. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a copy of a report entitled, "Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Prevention: The National Structured Evaluation," pursuant to Public Law 100-690, section 3522(a); to the Committee on Commerce.

1406. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's estimate of the amount of discretionary new budget authority and outlays for the current year (if any) and the budget year provided by H.R. 1944, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-578); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1407. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting a proposed plan related to the use and distribution of the Mission Indian's judgement funds in Docket 80-A, before the U.S. Court of Federal Claims; to the Committee on Resources.

1408. A letter from the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report related to the economic conditions of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic shrimp fishery; to the Committee on Resources.

1409. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to establish a flexible procedure for facilitating timely payment on claims on account of Government checks; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1410. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting informational copies of various lease prospectuses, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 606(a); to the committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1411. A letter from the Commissioner, General Services Administration, transmitting a report on Federal building consolidations; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1412. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the 1993 and 1994 combined annual report on Veteran's Employment in the Federal Government, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 4214(e)(1); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

1413. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting notification of the intention of the Departments of the Army and

Agriculture to interchange jurisdiction of civil works and national forest lands at Lake Ouachita in the State of Arkansas, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 505a; jointly, to the Committees on Agriculture and Transportation and Infrastructure.

1414. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation and Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a joint report entitled "Administrative Assistance to the States: Compliance with Nitrogen Oxides Requirements of the Transportation Conformity Rule"; jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and Commerce.

1415. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a report on the Agency's implementation of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Land Withdrawal Act, pursuant to Public Law 102-579, section 23(a)(2) (106 Stat. 479); jointly, to the Committees on Commerce and National Security.

1416. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the quarterly reports in accordance with section 36(a) and 26(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, the March 24, 1979 report by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Seventh report by the Committee on Government Operations for the third quarter of fiscal year 1995, April 1, 1995 through June 30, 1995, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(a); jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Government Reform and Oversight.

1417. A letter from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting the annual report to Congress on activities under the Denton Amendment Program for fiscal year 1995, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 402; jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and National Security.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1743. A bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to extend the authorizations of appropriations through fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 104-242). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. FORD, Mr. CAMP, Mr. MCCRERY, Mrs. KENNELLY, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. NUSSLE, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. STARK):

H.R. 2288. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend for 2 years the deadline by which States are required to have in effect an automated data processing and information retrieval system for use in the administration of State plans for child and spousal support; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BUYER (for himself, Ms. WATERS, Mr. STUMP, Mr. MONTGOMERY, Mr. BARR, Mr. COOLEY, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. SCHAEFER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. MASCARA, and Mr. EVANS):

H.R. 2289. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend permanently certain housing programs, to improve the veterans employment and training system, and to make clarifying and technical amendments to further clarify the employment and reemployment rights and responsibilities of members of the uniformed services, as well as those of the employer community, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FOX:

H.R. 2290. A bill to amend the medical device provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. GEKAS (for himself and Mr. REED):

H.R. 2291. A bill to extend the Administrative Conference of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Washington:

H.R. 2292. A bill to preserve and protect the Hanford Reach of the Columbia River, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. LAFALCE:

H.R. 2293. A bill to establish audit authority in the Comptroller of the State of New York over the Niagara Falls Bridge Commission; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MOORHEAD (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. CONYERS, and Mrs. SCHROEDER):

H.R. 2294. A bill to amend the Federal Judgeship Act of 1990 to allow affected judicial districts to receive the full benefit of temporary judgeship positions as provided in that act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 2295. A bill to extend the discretionary spending limits set forth in title VI of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and to extend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 until fiscal year 2002; to the Committee on the Budget.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII,

158. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Nevada, relative to small landfills with environmental regulations; to the Committee on Commerce.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII,

Mr. STUPAK introduced a bill (H.R. 2296) for the relief of Robert and Verda Shatusky; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 72: Mr. WELDON of Florida.

H.R. 359: Mr. ZIMMER.

H.R. 394: Mr. FRAZER, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. HOKE, Mr. RIGGS, and Mr. MCDADE.

H.R. 426: Mr. STENHOLM.

H.R. 752: Mr. FOGLIETTA, Miss COLLINS of Michigan, Mr. FORBES, Mr. SKELTON, and Mr. BILBRAY.

H.R. 820: Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. FORD, Mr. MASCARA, and Mr. MOORHEAD.

H.R. 1114: Mr. JONES, Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. SEXTON, Mr. PETERSON of Florida,

Mr. SHADEGG, Mrs. WALDHOLTZ, Mr. FRAZER, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. MOORHEAD, Mr. GANSKE, Mr. GALLEGLY, and Mr. CRAMER.

H.R. 1204: Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. DELLUMS, and Ms. DELAURO.

H.R. 1385: Mr. OBERSTAR.

H.R. 1446: Mr. RAHALL.

H.R. 1488: Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. KOLBE, and Mr. ALLARD.

H.R. 1506: Mr. BARR.

H.R. 1552: Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1661: Mr. HOLDEN, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. HEFNER, Mr. KING, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 1753: Mr. RANGEL, Mr. BEVILL, Mr. ENSIGN, and Mr. DAVIS.

H.R. 1791: Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. CANADY, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. NEY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. HOKE, and Mr. GANSKE.

H.R. 1885: Ms. DANNER.

H.R. 1893: Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. PARKER, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. YATES, Mr. FRISA, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, Mr. VENTO, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. SPRATT, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, and Mrs. LOWEY.

H.R. 1930: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. STEARNS, and Ms. SLAUGHTER.

H.R. 1933: Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. FRAZER, and Mr. FROST.

H.R. 1975: Mr. HAYES.

H.R. 2009: Mr. STUDDS, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. SERRANO, and Mr. DELLUMS.

H.R. 2013: Ms. MOLINARI.

H.R. 2137: Mr. LUTHER, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. BEREUTER.

H.R. 2219: Mr. BACHUS and Mr. FOX.

H.J. Res. 100: Mr. BERMAN and Mr. DREIER.

H.J. Res. 106: Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. KLUG, Mr. KOLBE, and Mr. SCHIFF.

H. Con. Res. 42: Mr. SHAYS, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. DAVIS, Mr. REED, Mr. SCARBOROUGH, and Mr. KING.

H. Res. 30: Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. GORDON, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. DORNAN, Mr. WYNN, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. HEFNER, and Mr. DE LA GARZA.

DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were deleted from public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 359: Mr. GEKAS.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

38. By the SPEAKER: Petition of the Thibodaux Chamber of Commerce, LA, relative to Federal support programs for sugar; to the Committee on Agriculture.

39. Also, petition of the Southern Governors' Association, relative to regulation E of the electronic benefit transfer [EBT] system; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

40. Also, petition of H.E. Voorn of Arnhem, relative to the death penalty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.